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I-1175-001

As a long time (22 year) Wallingford resident, and the past chair of the Transportation Committee for the South Wallingford Neighborhood Plan, I am very concerned about the apparent lack of consideration and investigation of the effects the proposal will have on Seattle neighborhoods. The Pacific Interchange proposal in particular will have a very detrimental impact on traffic patterns in several neighborhoods. I believe that it will create a situation where there will be a major shift in traffic in which neighborhood streets will be substituted for I-5 as a major feeder for 520.

I was present at a meeting at our Community Council with DOT representatives some time ago concerning the project, have viewed several Seattle City Council committee as a whole sessions on line, and have tried to review the draft EIS. I am very disturbed that there seems to have been little DOT study of the impacts on Seattle streets once the traffic exists 520. It seems to me that whenever neighborhood preferences are mentioned, only the Montlake neighborhood has been considered.

I-1175-002

I think that more study should be done concerning the impacts of the project on Seattle neighborhoods. If a decision must be made now, the 4 lane version without the Pacific interchange is preferable.

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Comment Summary:

Local Street Network

Response:

See Section 5.3 of the 2006 Draft EIS Comment Response Report.

I-1175-002

Comment Summary:

4-Lane Alternative

Response:

See Section 1.2 of the 2006 Draft EIS Comment Response Report.